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## Not a One Issue Campaign.

because they are easily adapted to sen- any kind of Mayor. sational exploitation. It is simple to charge against the whole force the misdeeds of a few individuals. Even today, in the face of convincing proof that the corruptionists were not able to furnish to law breakers immunity from molestation except from themselves and their immediate subordinates, a good' many persons persist in regarding the misdeeds of the rascals as departmental misbehavior. It is even proposed by some that this subject shall be made the principal issue of the canvass this How unwise it would be to force it to the front, to the exclusion or overshadowing of other matters, the mere enumeration of a few of the topics of substantial importance demanding consideration as they are set forth by the Citizens Municipal Committee shows:

"The efficient conduct of the vast routine of the city's business.

"The far sighted development of outlying boroughs "The improvement and extension of

transit facilities.

"The relief of congested districts "The establishment of more playgrounds

"The enlargement of port facilities. "The protection of wage earners from fire

"The extension of school facilities to

provide vocational training "The wider use of school buildings

The adoption of a scientific fiscal policy

In this list of a dozen subjects are in-Department that we shall get until crew will be "on edge" from mid-April of the enlisted man who goes down into business men can act accordingly. human nature undergoes a purification to mid-September. and amendment which are not now even ported by the efficient conduct of the

cluded in New York. The "police issue" in New York polishould be reduced to its proper, although very important, position, and the other great and pressing needs of the city should receive intelligent treatment in

District Attorneys' offices in the five

counties which will hereafter be in-

# What Shall Be Done With the Oregon?

served as a reminder of her glorious for tariff rates. Senator NEWLANDS'S mind part in the war with Spain will be com- proposal is an investigation of the influ- "Thou born to match the gale (thou art mended from coast to coast. Her place ence of the tariff on commodity prices. is now with the reserve fleet, and the To what extent does the tariff on meats, time is at hand when what to do with sugar, fruits, vegetables, wines, dairy the obsolete battleship will perplex the products, affect the price of those com-

high power shells, and it has been sug- ing? Mr. NEWLANDS asserts that "it gested by experts in ballistics, who has been proved by the statistics that have no sentiment, that the Indiana the Republican party has sought That sport'st amid the lightning flash and could be put to no better use. JACK through the protective system not sim-Phillips had passed over to the major- ply to secure a revenue upon imports ity when the Texas was battered and but also to impose upon the consumers sunk in the contest between guns and throughout the entire country added armor plate. ROBLEY D. EVANS was prices for the domestic manufactures."

mander of the Oregon in the inspiring are, however, in entire agreement with Secretary Josephus Daniels will know voyage round the Horn and in the run- the Senator when he says that "we have the reason why. ning fight at Santiago, survives. What never had any showing as to whether would be have to say about turning the or not these duties imposed upon farm Oregon over to the ordnance sharps products had the effect of raising, inside to be anchored in the seaway and of the tariff walls, the prices of domestic pounded with shells until she plunged farm products to the extent of the duty." to the bottom? The retired Admiral It is to be kept in mind that food and must love the old ship on whose decks clothing, the direct and indirect source he won undying fame, and the officers of both being the farm, represent an and men who served under him share average of approximately 60 per cent. his tender regard for her. If the ques- of the yearly expenditures of consumsion whether the glorious old Oregon ers. To what extent are the prices of should be preserved as a memorial were these commodities affected by the tarby the Secretary of State, and alcohol was would have it with a mighty should be also simply the secretary of state, and alcohol was banished from the table. The higher poliand Payne bills, has the price of butter would have it with a mighty shout.

Representative SINNOTT has suggested been increased 6 cents a pound by the that the Oregon be turned over as a tariff? Has the price of flour been in- When was the day that Cook County

some equally honorable service should 25 cents a bushel, of poultry 3 cents a be found for her. When Admiral CLARK pound, of potatoes 25 cents a bushel, was about to be retired he said in the of eggs 5 cents a dozen? Has the price way so like him: "My wishes are that of bacon and hams been raised above I go without any undue attention. You the international price level to the extent will do me a favor by forgetting that I of the 4 cents a pound imposed by the There can be no oblivion for Payne bill? Did those commodities Entered at the Post Office at New York as Second either CLARK or the Oregon. The hon- decline one cent a pound when the BURKE, the Irish orator, were sold at auction ors of the great voyage to reenforce the Payne bill cut the Dingley rate from Atlantic fleet in the critical days of 1898 5 cents to 4 cents? How did the 2 and of being in at the finish of the last cent rate of the Dingley bill and the Spanish ship flying the flag at Santiago. 112 cent rate of the Payne bill affect such a price for his friend Burke's tea the Cristobal Colon, these achievements | the price of lard? | Does the Payne bill | will perpetuate the names of the Ameri- rate of 112 cents on fresh beef, mutton. can battleship and her captain.

25 and it would be a handsome thing to as- the public, so far as trustworthy official 2 50 sure Admiral CLARK that the flag will fly information is concerned, is decidedly a juncture. It may be interpreted as the on her always as a testimony and an inspiration.

in the dark

If the tariff is, as alleged, the notably

responsible cause of the high price of

plate glass, crockery, cotton cloth and

Neither in clubs, street cars nor sew-

ing circles have we heard any animate

influence of the tariff on milk, onions,

Thirty-fourth Street.

carefully the project urged by Mr.

permanent damage and impairment of

satisfactory alike to interests in each

Man-of-war Bird Daniels.

the sea in submarines and skimmer of

at the time by the innovators.

have to settle that question.

all wings).

America.

thunder cloud.

and hurricane.

To cope with heaven and earth and sea

Thou ship of air that never furl'st thy sails,

through spaces, realms gyrating.

At dusk that look'st on Senegal, at morn

task. With such a leader the yearned

cabbages, cranberries and grapefruit.

## The Mayor's Courage.

A cowardly Mayor would have welcomed the public welfare commission bill as an opportunity to take from his shoulders a part of the burden that formation that while the average price dinners - Weshington Star now rests on them. Mr. GAYNOR is not of the fibre to shirk any responsi- less than 40 per cent. in the last fifteen of 3 2-3 "formal" meals a day bility. Therefore in refusing to accept

"The people of this great city ought to be able to elect a Mayor in whom they have full confidence and who would shirk no hats and shoes and clothes, of steel rails, responsibility

Not only should the people of New woollen clothing, why is it not equally York be able to elect a Mayor having the cause of the high price of pork and Paris office, 6 Rue de la Michodière, off Rue du their full confidence, but they are able potatoes? so to do. That is the kind of Mayor they have to-day.

If the time ever comes when they discussion of the exorbitant cost of zinc seriously accept the principles on which or gelatin or malleable iron castings. the public welfare commission bill The great consuming public does not was based-the principles of divided concern itself actively with the tariff authority and of government by private rate on wool tops, roofing felt, cork bark citizens acting in benevolent interven- and curled hair, but would probably tion to impose on them virtues they are welcome a little definite and authorita-In municipal campaigns the short- themselves incapable of attaining- tive information regarding the precise comings of policemen play a large part they will prove their unfitness to choose

# Public Sentiment.

nor SULZER said:

"Every day I am hearing from Senators | us distinctly meritorious. and Assemblymen who voted against our direct primary bill. They assure me that they will give it their support at the coming session of the Legislature because they have learned since they returned home that by voting against the bill they misrepresented the sentiment of their constituents

With no good will to the bosses, with the best wishes for ballot reform, THE SEN is not convinced that there is in the Democratic party of the State of New York or among the other voters of that State a determined, actual, existent sentiment in favor of a direct primary measure which includes the abolition of the State convention.

Not the merit of this part of the Barnes has won, if won it has, the people of the State to what Mr. SULZER now calls the "people's primary bill."

THE SUN is too ancient an observer of old customs and new laws to believe that bosses can be killed or scotched by any wisdom of the statute books. The expert will beat the amateur; the State committee and party council have every "The establishment of municipal markets | chance to control under the proposed and other similar operations which may be system; under any system "the people will rule" when they take the trouble.

Mr. SULZER forgets in his generous anticipation of popular sentiment that popular sentiment is always sovereign. dicated problems sufficient in number but under any election law it will not profitably to engage the attention of always choose to exert itself. It has the electorate, and calling for the high- to be interested, alert, excited; it is est skill and most disinterested service. often and wisely slow in manifesting We have had Secretaries of the Navy. It is not too much to say that the satis- itself. That it will be known and po- but Josephus Daniels is different. factory solution of any of them would tent every year; that the political spe- There is no detachment, no aloofness. result in as great good to the commu- cialists will not often bamboozle it, is no nothing tentative about him; he is not no valid reason for failure to state at once nity as would any reform of the Police more to be expected than that a boat of the service; he actually is it. Fellow when it shall be effective. Set the date and

suggested. What improvement can be Mr. Sulzer takes away, it seems to us, quick whirling, sudden appearing aero-wood bill: "That unless otherwise spemade in that department would indeed an indispensable concrete responsible plane, never was head of the navy just cially provided, this act shall take effect flow from the "efficient conduct of the personal party object for public senti- like Josephus Daniels. Nonchalantly on the day following its passage ment to pass its judgment on

# A Sane Suggestion.

In an address on the floor of the Sensay. "He is one of us!" ate on May 20 Senator NEWLANDS urged tics is habitually overemphasized. It an official investigation to determine prean will go up when the news is wire-"whether the prices of any farm prod- lessed that Secretary DANIELS flew at duties now imposed on such products." one of the Aviation Corps, was ever Here is a ray of sanity in a fog of mis- more cool and tranquil than the Hon. conception and misstatement.

the hopelessly impossible task of ascer- pressed the grateful earth again, "that taining the difference in cost of produc- I had such wings." Truly the Man-of-The proposal of Representative SIN- tion at home and abroad, the ascer- war Bird of the long sequence of Secremodities? To what extent does the Days, even weeks untired and onward, The Texas was fated to be a target for tariff on wool affect the price of cloththe Indiana by American projectiles, if kind has been proved or that the alleged result of added prices in the sense implied has been the aim of the party. We mander of the Oregon in the inspiring are, however is notified by the special of the sinking of the sinking of the lamb that anything of the dram of matching the name of Dobbler.

My first name calls for next lamb to say that it does not recall a street. Is there amy place, think you, where I might fit in during the coming celebration of 100 years of peace among Anglo-Saxons?

HABOLD DOBBLES.

the gain in public esteem which the Trinity Church Corporation is likely to make by insisting on its technical right to charge the city of New York easement money for running a subway beneath one little corner of its vast tax exempt property.

The White House and the Cabinet at Washington are now "dry." One of the most historic dinners ever given to the tics has thrown out the flowing bowl.—The Rev. S. H. Winsching of the Illinois Anti-

training ship to the naval militia of the creased 25 per cent., the price of vege- could not read the signs of times accu-State whose name she bears. That or tables 25 per cent., the price of fruits rately? If the Reverend Mr. Wissching

could have said that the higher politics had thrown out the flowing bowl together with the flowing talk, all might yet be well. The chief danger and trouble with grape juice is that it loosens the tongue

A porcelain teapot, ing and two cups and saucers, once the property of EDMIND

to-day for \$7,600. - Deapatch from London It may be permitted to wonder what the shade of old Sam Johnson thinks about

In appropriating \$600,000 for the Japaand pork explain the high price of meat? nese exhibit at the Panama-Pacific Ex-The Oregon must be spared and saved. We agree with Senator Newlands that position in San Francisco the Parliament at Tokio does a handsome thing at such Government's answer to the mischievous rumor that Japan would boycott Ameri-The political and popular attack on can products and sever friendly relations the tariff has been made along the line with the United States if the alien land of manufactured wares. There is avail- tenure complication was not settled to her able, through the Bureau of Labor, satisfaction.

whose business it has been for many In fifteen days the British, Australian and years to record and report, officially, the movement of prices, the reliable in-

of manufactured wares has increased It appears that this is a beggarly average years or so the price of farm products there were six of eight informal meals has increased more than 100 per cent. a day in addition, American hospitality and American hunger and thirst were shamefully dishonored.

the Kansas City Ster is a farmer - Wilming-

He is, and he is perhaps the only farmer who drives across his fat acres a four-ox-

Of all the reasons for the spread of bination of musical sounds inflammatory talk that given by the Abbe ERNEST DIMMET in the Ninetcenth Century is the most inviting to sociologists:

Modern people have become used verexciting food, and though a constantly better enlightened instinct warns them hey cannot wean themselves from sights and language which subtle corrupon and ever increasing talent have made fashionable

Senator Newlands's proposal to And is it all due to the spice and pepper secure responsible official information in their victuals? The trouble with EMMA In his speech at Schenectady Gover- regarding those and other products of GOLDMAN is, then, that she eats too much farm and field and orchard seems to India relish. Chutney piccalilly produced Herr Most. Should Vice-President Mar-SHALL be urged to give up all forms of curry, paprika, mulligatawny soup? And must Secretary REDFIELD eschew pot herbs We hope the Mayor will consider very and caviare?

When Miss IDA M. TARBELL says that MCANENY and approved yesterday by 'the recent hunt for a money trust" has the Board of Estimate. There are alproduced "a good sized bag of findings." ways plausible arguments for so radical and then asks "What was in it?" the "plain a change in local topography as is propeople" may be inclined to reply posed in the case of the break of level there has been altogether too much in at the lower end of the Park avenue it for the muckrakers, whose monthly tunnel; but often such surgical opera- "turnover" must amount to at least 30,tions, blithely undertaken, result in

## values far beyond anything dreamed of When the Underwood Tariff Bill Takes Effect.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sixty million dollars worth of tax Not the merit of this part of the paying property and the future of one goods and woollen jobbers, domestic manuof the most important and beautiful facturers of textiles, both woollen and cotand characteristic residential parts of ton, that it is of vital importance to their New York are to be affected by the meas-Congress should set the date when the I uure awaiting Mayor GAYNOR's approval. derwood bill is to be effective. It would be a far better policy to go

One large importer in an interview slow and try to meet the needs of north lished in the Commercial and Financial and south traffic by an expedient World goes so far as to state that the setting nius and courage to introduce new methof the date is of more importance than the revision, to which the country is reconciled. section of the Fourth-Park avenues He says.

thoroughfare than to plunge into this enterprise on the strength of the low estimate of damage costs now put forestimate of damage costs now put forward by engineers interested in the project. It will be the courts, not the would be rulnous to many small merchants. This serious omission on the part of Con-

engineer-mathematicians, which will

In taking away the State convention the spacious skies in the fast flitting. This is the final section of the Under-

he goes where danger calls, acquiring Secretary Redfield's Qualifications. naval wisdom as he sinks or flies. An TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Siz. One. example, an inspiration. Rank and file! is Mr. Redfield's recent book. "The New these are not extremely numerous, and industrial Day." Other far sighted business men unqualifiedly indorse it. I have several times thought of suggesting to the several times thought of suggesting to the author that it should be read into the Con-From the hangars at Guantanamo a is ucts in the United States are raised Annapolis, where the river Severn flows, author that it should be read into the Conabove the international level by the Not Ensign GODFREY CHEVALIER, daring gressional Record in its entirety, and through this channel a copy placed in the hands of be allowed to sum up my impressions of JOSEPHUS DANIELS on his maiden flight. To the late tariff board was assigned "I never knew," said he, when his foot are: a fair return to capital, a respectable Wagner's critics find fault with him wage to labor, and a reasonable charge to the people for what they consume. No truer remark has ever been made than that Redfield in his book: "Wholly out NOTT that the battleship Oregon be pre- tained difference to be used as the basis taries. The noble lines come into the side of the rate of pay there is unlimited New York, May 17. S. S. TUTRILL

To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN—Sir: Your cor-respondent Bedford Allison wishes to be in-formed as to his eligibility to participate in Green-

wich Village "home week." "Tis of small moment. ed after a street? Tut, tut My oldest ancestor, so far as I have been able to discover, was a bell ringer. He had no par-ticular name before he took up bell ringing in the lown of Greenwich, England, where eventually

named under the tonic sol fa system, do, re, me, Symbolical, prophetic words, they cheer the navy airmen at their hazardous fa. sol. ia, si. do. My ancestor, who was an expert, pulled two bells, the upper and lower Do. He became known as the do beller, and in the ourse of time his descendants became known by

## Masters of Melody. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-S xcitement about the tonal qualities of Mr. Caruso's ones' Mr. Lew Dockstader has frequently exhib

To Cuba. Our hand is out! Our heart is cheered! Has taught aright

> The sky is clear. The way is straight. Make your career Convince at length Alone to stand!

MAURICE MORRIS.

WAGNER AT PHILADELPHIA. FOR GOVERNOR SULZER'S PLAN. COLLIS PLAN PASSES

Some Critical Recollections of His Tremendous "Centennial March."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: The year 1876 was marked in this country by the opening of the Centennial Exposition. The women of Philadelphia felt that nothing could be more appropriate than to bave Richard Wagner, who was then receiving the plaudits of Europe, compose a festal march commemorating the occasion of this exposition, so stupendous in conception and so elaborate in design.

The march was to be played out of doors and had to have, musically, the elements of popularity in order to sway an incongruous multitude whose musical ear had naturally not been trained.

As far as popular tune was concerned was a dismal failure. Its structure was too involved in musical rhetoric to fit such | the "success of the two methods. a jubilant occasion. However, one small ! detail connected with it is fairly characteristic of the dramatic element in Wagner's writing and was suggested by him in this way:

Playing over his main theme, using only a small part of the orchestra, he announces his subject. He then takes this simple theme and turns it over, adds to it or twists it into different forms with constant repetitions to show every possibliity in a simple theme of a few notes.

Finally after he has passed this melody through sufficient stages of development he recurs to his original theme; this time Besides being a successful newspaper with increased accompaniment and vari-publisher Colonel William R. Nelson of our modulations.

At last summoning up the full strength of the orchestra, his first melody swells out with renewed vigor, growing grander and grander at every second, mounting higher and higher at every note, tossed to dizzy heights by a tempestuous com-

At this moment, Wagner wrote on the manuscript, he wanted the entire orchestra to stop abruptly and a company of artillery to break the silence with the deafening roar of a hundred cannons!

had reached the limit of its power. What magnificent imagination is displayed in this feature of the march' even Beethoven would have had sufficient dramatic instinct to conceive of such a

or of the "drama of music." But this march is never produced any more in concerts, for minus this dramatic feature it is just so much trash. serves only as a splendid illustration a defect in Wagner's writings which is very exaggerated in this march and of which in lesser degree his critics complained in all of his works.

Their criticism was that he didn't write real, pure music, but covered up a lot of sounds by dramatic effects, by scenic reproductions and by appealing more to the emotion than to the intellect.

His choice of subjects indicates this domain of THE SUN, the voters might so inew. He chose the mythical, the manipulate matters that they could and view. He chose the mythical, magical or the mysterious in practically every opera he wrote. Most of his music is impossible to play on the piano with any satisfactory result.

It becomes vague and hazy in some places, wandering in others. He loved liberty and freedom in music as much as Byron did in poetry. Consequently the music at times is without definite form and unintelligible. As a matter of fact this new style was a boon to the musical world, for unless some one had the geods of composition and bear the brunt of public ignorance all originality would in caucus or convention become stagnant. Wagner's mission in the world was to advance new ideas and theories. He became a musical romanticist involuntarily, always seeking for free-

But to return to this criticism that I Wagner never comcares to make his arrangements. The country merchant waits; buyers cannot of his operas as he did in this Centennial of his operas as he did in this Centennial country merchant waits, buyers cannot have goods shipped until it is known when the new rates are to take effect; purchasers scheme than a musical composition. The buy for immediate requirements only; the melody plays a complementary part. result is disastrous to all. No matter when the bill may pass, there would seem to be of Nibelung, where so much thunder and of Nibelung, where so much thunder and lightning are rocking the stage that the music is no longer the elementary factor.

Sometimes Wagner will use half a dozen notes and play them over for an exaggerated length of time and yet obtain a magnificent effect. But this kind of music withers under careful analysis. It answers its purpose, but it needs the action of the stage. In short, the music is not self-supporting. It requires either a battle scene, a transformation scene or of the most valuable contributions ever the noise of kettledrums to suggest its made to the question of business efficiency real significance. Such instances as the noise of kettledrums to suggest its fact if it answers its purpose in the opera what more can be expected? However every American business man. If I may it does not dazzle with intelligence, and it is just on the ground of its simplicity in Mr. Redfield's attitude on the subject, they form and absence of any real style that NEW YORK, May 22.

> An Ungallant Observer of Nursemaids TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: At last the voice of authority, the president of the Board of Education, has spoken in favor of pulchritudinous schoolmarms. And why not nursemaids. One may swell through Central Park any Sunday and see the most horrific collection of human gargoyles

to be found outside the realm of bad dreams.

This is altogether wrong. Children of tender years (the most impressionable age) should be surrounded by beautiful objects, both animate and inanimate. The voices, too, of these ogresses and inanimate. The voices, too, of these ogresses are as strident as a peafowl's. The old black mammy of the South-rapidity disappearing, alas!-has a voice like honey to comparison, and sesses a good humor that in itself constitutes

I am not pleading for a return of the black mammy. She doesn't exist any more. The blight of education killed her. But aren't there any comely white women willing to exchange their poverty for a good home and the

Dividual Personality. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SIE: I WONDER

I just want to know if any one else gets so cor-

I just want to know if any one case and of a Bos nered with himself, and without the aid of a Bos nered with himself, and without the aid of a Bos nered with himself. NEW YORK, May 22.

# Nightcaps.

According to Miss Mary Shaw many milliners and dressmakers are prepared to supply their patrons with drinks. The nightcaps which our grannles wore.

It seems, are coming in once more. And many ladies buy them. In fact so many feel their need That mildinars who fashions heed And dressmakers supply them. Yet strange indeed are fashion's whims,

For lot the nightcap now she trims And oft on cocktalls may light. Then there's another difference wide The nightcaps now are worn inside— They're swallowed!—in the daylight!

In Up-State Democrat Who, for One, Willing to Try It and Risk Results.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: your comment upon Governor Sulzer's rusade for direct primaries in Tuesday's SUN under a heading containing a word ("ratiocination") not often seen so far afield from Bos on, you declare that the Governor's "get tral thesis is impaired by often seen so far two fundamen il errors," and name a arst error his idea that "the abolition of the State convention will insure a better type of public servants

In opposition to this idea you cite conrete instances, showing results of the working of the two plans—the naming of Mr. Sulzer himself for Governor by the Democratic State convention, and over gainst this the naming of Mr. James Martine for Senator from New Jersey by direct primary-and invite comparison to

It seems to me, if the Governor needs to exercise "a little more ratiocination" support of his broadly laid premise, as TRE SUN advises, the editor of THE SUN. the other hand, needs to present a better premise in support of his theory, from which to ratiocinate

THE SUN intimates that the Hon. James Martine has failed to measure up to its editor's ideas of Senatorial majesty, and it would be highly interesting to know the Granting, however, that ! senator Martine has been a disappointment. as Senators sometimes are, let me call at-tention to this fact, that without the operaion of direct primaries in New Jersey discussion of the tariff that a gentleman by the name of Smith would have fallen heir to the Senatorial toga, by the will o he New Jersey Legislature. It is not my present belief that the righteous and ellectual editor of THE SUN would, even

low, care to make the exchange It must be admitted that "King Caucus at Syracuse in favor of a man for Governor who is honest and right part of the time, at least, as did the Baltimore convention decide favor of the right man for President, and for much the same reason

The nomination of the Hon. Oscar deafening roar of a hundred cannons! Straus by the Progressives made impera-This was the only solution adequate to tive the nomination by the Democrats of the so mighty a climax, since the orchestra Hon. William Sulzer, if the Democratic party wished to win the election. At t looked that way at the time. Had con-ditions been otherwise Charles F. Murphy Had conwould have dominated that convention and nominated whom he not been need, it is not generally supposed possibility. No wonder that Wagner is that the Hon William Sulzer would have justifiably called the disciple of the opera, stood any better chance for nomination han he had in previous conventions. Had there not been the need of nominating a man of the Sulzer type to win the election lammany would have dictated the nomination of any man of any character who strangle hold upon the State.

The question is, since THE SUN presents such a premise, would William Sulzer, or a man of equal ability and honesty, have been ominated for Governor had primary plan, as advocated by him been he voters could have been trusted to make a

It is possible that in New York city, the would make free choice of delegates to a It is true that the records do not show that there have often been such instances. believe the Assembly district machines have 'hand picked" such delegates in most instances, and that somewhere upon their carcasses you will usually find the brand of satrap, even though the people generally he State convention Murphy or Barnes will ote such delegates to suit their purposes. know this is the popular method State, and all the powers of the people shall not prevail against a well organized machine

It may be the direct primary plan will may be too that New York city will outvote actment without plenty of time for preparation actment without plenty of time for preparation dom and always startling the world with some musical discovery.

Senator Murtaugh notwinstanding.

Senator Murtaugh notwinstanding. not now erase a jot or tittle. We swallow hook, line, sinker and bob, and take our chances with the Coroner.

# Race Equality in South Manchuria.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SITE A tion sums up a situation which has been Thirty-fourth street will compel a 5 per plain for some time to the keen observer cent. grade on Park avenue between is the crux of the whole contention.

past five years. Each time the change in the attitude of the Japanese was apparent To give an example of their "challenge this incident may help. In company with manufacturing exporter I was spending a churia. We passed one afternoon at Star tent than Park avenue. Beach, some five miles from town, on an "On the other hand the Wetmore arm of the Yellow Sea. As is usual for all plan, which is favored by owners of trolley cars in the Far East, the Star Beach property valued at about \$60,000,00 car was divided into two compartments. will provide a new roadway on the As we started for town it was occupied by west side of the street, will leave the several Europeans, two Japanese gentlemen who were with us, a coche (Japanese) woman and two very disgusting children. We of course expected the conductor to move ther into the other compartment quickly. Thirty-third street, and will also open Thirty-third street across Fourth avbut no. Soon we were at the stop at the enue in a manner acting for the greatcar shops and we picked up many Japanese est benefit of all property owners conmechanics, who crowded into this small cerned and at a damage to property and space while the other was comparatively construction cost not as great as that empty and contained only Chinese. We then realized that the Japanese authorities "If the improvement is made accordhad decided that this was the correct di- ing to the Collis plan, competent real

vision of the races. In other ports of the East where there is street car service the division is made by first or second class fare or by the words

This impresses the Chinese, but not favorably, and the tension between the two races is already great. Some day China will avenge herself for years of wrongs from

To the onlooker it would seem that Japan has other and more pressing dangers than the lack of equality of race. FULTON, May 21

## Dry Dirigos. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: I have

entitled "In Two Dry States." sion to spend two summers in Kittery, Me., and to study at close range the effect of "sumptuary legislation as regards the curbing of the demon."

whether any other Sun reader besides myself ever when by himself gets "beside himself." By which I do not mean "beside himself" in the common acceptation of the term, but with a weird overheard the following conversation beseuse of separated individuality. Maine farmers who if the law had sanctioned a Bos-it would have been content to take their v. E. glass of ale or beer at some nearby tavern: Why, hello, Ezra, where yer goin'?" I'll tell yer, Sy, I'm goin' over to Portsmouth to get drunk—and God, how I dread it!"

He was about to perform the serious and painful duty of the prohibited.

ALBANT, May 21. EDWIN HAROD.

### The Other Great American Game Mrs. Knicker-What do you know about base

Mrs. Bocker—It is so much nicer than p because Jack gets a check every time it rains.

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# TO REGRADE 4TH AVE

Board of Estimate Adopts It in Spite of Opposition by Property Owners.

HOPE FOR MAYOR'S VETO

Objectors in Murray Hill District Say the Scheme Is Ridiculous.

The Board of Estimate adopted yes terday Borough President McAneny's nue at Thirty-fourth street. This plan is practically the one submitted to the board last year by Lloyd Collis, consult. ing engineer of the Fourth Avenue Im provement Association.

All the members of the board voted in favor of the plan except Mayor Gay nor, who has to approve the plan be-

fore it can be put into effect. Opposition to the regrading plan was made by Edmund Baylies, who said that he represented Robert Bacon, the Van derbilt Hotel, the Church of the Messiah and other property owners in the neighclients own property worth upward of \$60,000,000, Mr. Baylies said.

Mayor Gaynor told Mr. Baylles that ne was willing to give him a hearing on the plan before deciding for or against it President McAneny got permission to read into the minutes a statement ex-

plaining the advantages of the proposed plan. He said: "The working out of the present gap in the line of Park avenue and Fourt avenue is part of a general plan to de velop an additional and badly needed great north and south thoroughfare. Park avenue, though the broadest street in Manhattan, has been broken and practically cut out of the city's street system from Fifty-ninth street south to

Thirty-second street. "Meanwhile the pressure of traffic in Fifth avenue has grown to such a degree that relief by some means is ab

solutely necessary. Henry G. Opdycke, the civil engineer representing the Murray Hill property owners who are opposed to the Collis plan, said yesterday after the Board of Estimate had acted that he and his representatives have every hope of defeat ng the plan in the end.

"We feel so," said he, "because the Collis plan is bound to appear ridiculous after it has been fully explained and because the bulk of the property owners affected will fight the heavy assessment necessary as long as there are any grounds left for fighting.

"The Collis plan provides for a cut of six and a half feet at Thirty-fourth street and Fourth avenue, which is unheard of in congested and substantially built up districts.

"Furthermore, it provides that the unnel opening for the Fourth avenue surface cars be moved one block north to Thirty-fifth street, bringing the tracks to the surface at Thirty-fourth street. Such procedure is archaic. All civic improvement and engineering experience teach the danger of grade crossings, and for years we have been trying to eliminate them rather than to

make new ones. "The Collis plan would improve Thirty-fourth street east of Fourth avenue. where the property is second grade, bu Senator Murtaugh notwithstanding, we up- it would seriously damage high grade property in Park avenue now under the tions provide that there shall be no busi ness enterprises carried on in the dis trict and that it shall be maintained forever as a strictly residential locality. These restrictions in a strong opinion from the Court of Appeals have been

"What is even more at variance with modern schemes of city building is the opinion of the Times on the Japanese ques- fact that a cut of six and a half feet at cent. grade on Park avenue between who knows Japan: "Orientals' challenge for Thirty-fourth and Thirty-fifth streets. which is greater than any grade in the district and which will seriously impair traffic. The grade is at present 41/2 per cent, which is more than it should be

"The only reason for any change in the way for congested traffic. Collis plan will improve Thirty-fourth in Dairen (Dalny), South Man- street toward this end to a greater ex-

west side of the street, will leave the tunnel opening at about its present

estate experts and engineers have made estimates, checked up and approved by the street railway officials, work will cost about \$3,000,000. Wetmore plan will entail a cost of about \$160,000.

Mr. Opdycke finds cause for complaint, he says, in the fact that since the inception of the improvement plans the Board of Estimate has not given fair hearing to the property owners whom he represents, and no opportunity

ous witnesses. "The Mayor," said he, "may veto the every hope that he will after having heard our side of the case. said that he is anxious to hear ch-

jections. That encourages us. "The chief engineer of the Board & Estimate has said in a report that the Collis plan is all right if the property owners pay for it. The expense must be paid by the benefited property and as the Murray Hill restricted district prevents business, it will fall to the property owners of Fourth avenue and adjacent streets to pay practically the

"When this fact is understood by those property owners, they probably will suffer a revolution of sentiment and fall in with the Wetmore plan. which accomplishes the same results at a much less cost.

Blankenburg Party Gets Lesson. Madison, Wis., May 22.—The Philadel-phia party, composed of Mayor Rudolph Blankenburg, elty officials and 100 ettians had its first lesson at the University of Wisconsin to-day. Dean Reber explained the university extension division, its organization and its function as an ex-